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TAGS: EAID, GV,SA, ZP  
SUBJECT: ARAB ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE TO GUINEA

REF: JIDDA 4768

1. SAUDI CHARGE KANDIL INFORMED AMBASSADOR JULY 18 THAT  
ARAB ASSISTANCE DISCUSSED DURING PRESIDENT TOURE'S RECENT  
GULF STATES VISIT DEALT LARGELY WITH PROPOSED KONKOURE  
DAM. SAUDI MINISTERS DISCUSSED THIS WITH MINISTER OF  
FINANCE AND ECONOMICS ISMAEL TOURE AND SAID THEY WOULD  
ONLY CONSIDER THE DAM IN CONJUNCTION WITH ALUMINIUM PLANT  
WHICH WOULD CONSUME HYDROELECTRIC POWER GENERATED. DAM  
ITSELF WOULD COST CA. \$450 MILLION AND PRODUCE 375 MEGA-  
WATTS. ALUMINUM PLANT WOULD COST CA. \$400 MILLION, CON-  
SUME 350 MEGAWATTS, AND PRODUCE 150,000 TONS OF ALUMINUM  
PER YEAR. ACCORDING TO KANDIL, IT WAS AGREED TO GO AHEAD  
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WITH THE TWO PROJECTS, FEASIBILITY STUDY ON THE DAM IS  
READY, FEASIBILITY STUDY ON THE ALUMINUM PLANT SHOULD BE  
COMPLETED IN ABOUT THREE MONTHS, AND CONSTRUCTION COULD  
START AS EARLY AS NEXT YEAR. HE SAID THE SAUDIS TOLD  
PRESIDENT TOURE AND ISMAEL TOURE TO SEEK THE SUPPORT  
OF OTHER ARAB STATES FOR THESE PROJECTS AND PROMISED TO  
ENCOURAGE GULF STATES TO HELP; ASSURED GOG THAT SAG

WOULD MAKE UP WHATEVER BALANCE OF FINANCING REMAINED TO BE COVERED ON THE TWO PROJECTS.

2. KANDIL SAID HE WAS SHOCKED THAT GOG AMBASSADOR HAD NOT ARRANGED FOR PRESIDENT TOURE TO MEET PRIVATELY WITH PRINCE FAHD, WHO HE SAID IS THE REAL POWER IN SAUDI ARABIA. AT KANDIL'S SUGGESTION, MEETING WAS SET UP, AND FAHL GAVE TOURE PROMISE OF \$10 MILLION IN CASH FOR DROUGHT ASSISTANCE, PLUS \$3 MILLION FOR BUDGETARY ASSISTANCE.

3. COMMENT: WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION ADDRESSEES CAN TURN UP ON ARAB ASSISTANCE TO GUINEA. WE FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE THAT PROJECT OF THE DIMENSIONS OF THE KONORE UNDERTAKING COULD BE AGREED SO QUICKLY AND CONSTRUCTION COULD START SO SOON. WE SUSPECT KANDIL MAY UNDERESTIMATE COMPLEXITIES INVOLVED. IN ANY EVENT, COMBINED PROJECT IS OF MAJOR PROPORTIONS AND ITS FAVORABLE DISCUSSION WITH SAUDIS AND OTHER ARAB STATES SHOULD REPRESENT CONVINCING EVIDENCE FOR TOURE OF THE RIGHTNESS OF HIS TURN TOWARD A MORE MODERATE, NON-ALIGNED STANCE. CROSBY

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